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REMARKS

The foregoing amendments and the following remarks are responsive to the September 13, 2004 Office Action for the above-identified patent application. Claims 1–27 were originally pending in this application. Claims 1, 8, 21 and 27 are amended herein to clarify the scope of the claimed invention. Claims 2–7, 9–20 and 22–26 remain as originally filed. Thus, Claims 1–27 are presented herein for further consideration.

Response to Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejects Claims 1–27 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. In particular, the Examiner indicates that the "registration condition" recited in Claims 1, 8, 15, 21 and 27 is not clearly defined and that it is unclear what was meant to be covered by the phrase.

As described in the specification, the respective registration web pages correspond to a registration condition. The term "registration condition" may be a predefined association between instructions and registration web pages. The registration condition may be used to determine whether instructions correspond to any registration web pages. In other words, the corresponding registration web pages can be selected according to the instructions. For example, if the instruction is "shopping," the specific registration web pages for shopping are selected, in which the registration condition of the registration web pages is "shopping".

In view of the foregoing arguments, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1–27 are definite and satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the rejection of Claims 1–27 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Response to Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejects Claims 1–27 under 35 U.S.C 102(e) as being anticipated by International Publication WO 200184359 A2 to Palnitkar et al. As discussed below, Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection under based on Palnitkar.

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Discussion of Independent Claims 1, 8, 15, 21 and 27

Palnitkar does not teach or suggest the inventions defined in independent Claims 1, 8, 15, 21 and 27. For example, Palnitkar does not disclose, suggest, or teach at least the following features recited by the claims:

sending a second request from said client to said server if said instructions sent by said client to said server satisfy any of said registration conditions;

and

receiving the second request from said client, said server responding by selecting corresponding registration web pages from said registration web pages based on said satisfied registration conditions, and sending said corresponding registration web pages to said client.

Palnitkar teaches a central server sending a registration form to the client concerned and receiving the registration page at the client system; however, Palnitkar does not disclose or suggest selecting a <u>corresponding</u> one of the pages from the registration web pages to send from the server to the client. In Palnitkar, the server sends a predetermined page to the client, no matter what instruction is received from the client. In the present application, the registration web pages <u>corresponding</u> to various registration conditions are different in format and data field numbers. It is important and convenient for users to receive the corresponding registration web page to enable the user to input the correct and necessary data.

Independent Claims 1, 8, 21 and 27 are amended herein to clarify that the web pages sent to the client are corresponding web pages that are selected based on the satisfied registration conditions. Applicants submit that no new matter is added by these amendments because the amendments are fully supported by the specification as filed. Amended Claims 1, 8, 21 and 27 are consistent with original independent Claim 15.

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Since Palnitkar does not teach or suggest the claimed features of "sending a second request from said client to said server if said instructions sent by said client to said server satisfy any of said registration conditions" and "receiving the second request from said client, said server responding by selecting corresponding registration web pages from said registration web pages based on said satisfied registration conditions, and sending said corresponding registration web pages to said client" of the invention, Applicants respectfully submit that independent Claims 1, 8, 15, 21 and 27 are patentably distinguished over Palnitkar and the other cited references. Applicants respectfully request allowance of Claims 1, 8, 15, 21 and 27.

Discussion of Dependent Claims 2-7, 9-14, 16-20 and 22-26

Claims 2–7 depend from Claim 1 and further define the invention defined in Claim 1. Claims 9–14 depend from Claims 8 and further define the invention defined in Claim 8. Claims 16–20 depend from Claim 15 and further define the invention defined in Claim 15. Claims 22–26 depend from Claim 21 and further define the invention defined in Claim 15. In view of the patentability of the respective base claims and in further view of the additional features defined in the dependent claims, Applicants respectfully submit that dependent Claims 2–7, 9–14, 16–20 and 22–26 are also patentably distinguished over Palnitkar and the other cited references. Applicants respectfully request allowance of Claims 2–7, 9–14, 16–20 and 22–26.

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Summary

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections in the September 13, 2004 Office Action are not supported by Palnitkar and the other cited references. Applicants further submit that the claims satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the rejections and to pass Claims 1–27 to allowance. Applicants respectfully request a prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance for this application.

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